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REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION

Mail Stop AMENDMENT
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

Responsive to the requirement for election of species in the Office Action mailed December 10, 2004, in the above-identified patent application, applicants hereby elect the species of Figure 7.

Claim 2 is deemed to read on the elected species.

Attention is directed to the fact that only claims 2 through 4 are pending in the instant application, claim 1 having been canceled upon filing of the application (See application filing request, page 1, paragraph 5).

Favorable action on the application is earnestly solicited.

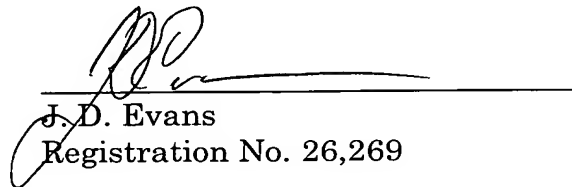
If there are any questions regarding this amendment or the application in general, a telephone call to the undersigned at (202) 624-2845 would be appreciated since this should expedite the prosecution of the application for all concerned.

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If necessary to effect a timely response, this paper should be considered as a petition for an Extension of Time sufficient to effect a timely response, and please charge any deficiency in fees or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 05-1323 (Docket #029379.50530D2).

Respectfully submitted,

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